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FM AMEMBASSY SEOUL

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 4893

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: AUSTRALIAN RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA

1. AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY INFORMED US JULY 27TH THAT  
AMBASSADOR BOURCHIER CALLED ON FONMIN KIM SAME DAY  
TO INFORM HIM THAT AUSTRALIA AND NORTH KOREA WILL  
ANNOUNCE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS ON  
JULY 31ST AT 1200 NOON, JAKARTA TIME. TEXT OF  
JOINT COMMUNIQUE TO BE SIGNED IN JAKARTA WILL  
READ: "THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERN-  
MENT OF THE DPRK HAVE AGREED ON THE ESTABLISHMENT  
OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL  
IN ORDER TO DEVELOP FRIENDLY AND COOPERATIVE  
RELATIONS BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUALITY  
AND MUTUAL BENEFIT AND RESPECT AND NON-INTERFERENCE  
IN EACH OTHERS AFFAIRS."

2. AMBASSADOR BOURCHIER GAVE KIM TEXT OF STATEMENT  
GOA WILL MAKE IN ANNOUNCING RECOGNITION. AUSTRALIAN  
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HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO HAND OVER TEXT TO HOST GOVERNMENTS ON JULY 29. TEXT WILL NOT BE MADE AVAILABLE TO FOREIGN MISSIONS IN SEOUL, BUT AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY HAS GIVEN US GIST OF STATEMENT, WHICH WILL BE READ JULY 31 BY FONMIN WILLESEE. SENATOR WILLESEE WILL STATE THAT THERE WILL BE A RESIDENT DPRK AMBASSADOR IN CANBERRA AND A NON-RESIDENT AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR ACCREDITED TO PYONGYANG. WILLESEE WILL EXPRESS HOPE THAT KOREA WILL EVENTUALLY BECOME UNIFIED BUT WILL EXPLAIN THAT IN MEANTIME AUSTRALIA BELIEVES IT BEST FOR BOTH KOREAS TO HAVE NORMAL RELATIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES. WILLESEE WILL STATE THAT GOA HAS HELD TALKS WITH FRIENDS OF NORTH KOREA TO URGE THEM TO RECOGNIZE THE ROK.

3. ACCORDING TO AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY, FONMIN KIM RECEIVED NEWS CALMLY, WITHOUT EXPRESSING REGRET. HE DID NOT READ THE STATEMENT, BUT SAID HE HOPED AUSTRALIA WOULD STATE FIRMLY AND CLEARLY THAT IT HOPED COMMUNIST BLOC COUNTRIES WOULD RECOGNIZE ROK. BOURCHIER SAID HE THOUGHT KIM WOULD FIND THE AUSTRALIAN STATEMENT SATISFACTORY. KIM SAID ROKG WILL ISSUE A STATEMENT INFLUENCED BY CONTENTS OF AUSTRALIAN STATEMENT AND WOULD MAKE THE TEXT AVAILABLE TO AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY PRIOR TO JULY 31ST. HE DID NOT ALLUDE TO PREVIOUS ROKG THREATS TO WITHDRAW ROK AMBASSADOR FROM CANBERRA OR TO EXPECTATION ROKG HAD PREVIOUSLY HELD THAT GOA WOULD WITHHOLD ACTION ON RECOGNITION UNTIL AFTER UNGA.  
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